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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - PAN AM/TWA SUSPENSIONS AND ROUTE SWAPS

REFS : A) STATE 024548; B) TAIPEI 6401

1. EMBASSY DELIVERED TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON FEBRUARY 4, DIPLOMATIC NOTE PER GUIDANCE REFTEL A. WE WILL NOT RAISE ISSUE OF WITHDRAWAL OF TWA DESIGNATION UNLESS QUERIED. COPIES OF NOTE AND GROC RESPONSE WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN OBTAINED.
2. MEANWHILE, TWA GENERAL MANAGER FOR TAIWAN TOLD EMBOFF FEBRUARY 3, THAT SOLE GUIDANCE HE HAD RECEIVED REGARDING SUSPENSION OF SERVICE TO TAIPEI WAS COMPANY BULLETIN WHICH ALERTED TWA'S EMPLOYEES TO DISCONTINUED PACIFIC SERVICE, INCLUDING TAIPEI, "AROUND" MARCH 2 OR 3. HE EXPECTS TO SORT OUT COMPANY POSITION IN TWA MEETING IN HONG KONG TODAY, FEBRUARY 4.
3. ROC CAA CONFIRMED NO TWA NOTIFICATION OR PAM AM APPLICATION YET RECEIVED, BUT RESTATED POSITION REPORTED REFTEL B THAT, "IN PRINCIPLE", GROC WOULD TREAT ROUTE SWAP POSITIVELY AND ROUTINELY.
4. SCRAMBLE FOR AGENCY REPRESENTATION OF FUTURE

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EXPANDED PAN AM INTERESTS IN ROC HAS ALREADY SURFACED,

WITH FORMER TWA AGENT, DRAGON VAN LINES, PRESSING
TO REPLACE SMALLER FIRM CURRENTLY REPRESENTING PAN
AM, THE TAIWAN TRADING CO. LOCAL MEDIA COVERAGE OF
WIRE SERVICE RELEASES ON CAB APPROVAL OF ROUTE TRANSFERS
HAS BEEN EXTENSIVE. ROC CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY ESTIMATED
PAN AM WOULD INCREASE FLIGHTS ON ITS BOMBAY-OKINAWA-TAIPEI
ROUTE.
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